**Amendments to the claims:**

1. (currently amended) A connecting device (1) for mechanically connecting a motor housing (2) of a motor (5) to a transmission housing (3) of a transmission (7), in which the motor (5) acts on the transmission (7) via a motor shaft (6), said connecting device comprising:

~~wherein~~ at least one connecting element (15, 26) ~~is provided~~, ~~which is capable of connecting~~ wherein the at least one connecting element is configured to connect the motor housing (2) indirectly to the transmission housing (3), ~~and~~ wherein the at least one connecting element (15, 26) is further configured to be at least partially elastically deformable ~~embodied so that~~ when the motor housing (2) moves relative to the transmission housing (3) in a rotating fashion around an axis (25) predetermined by the motor shaft (6)~~, the connecting element (15, 26) is able to be at least partially deformed in an elastic fashion~~, wherein relative to an axial dimension (X) and a radial dimension (Z) of the at least one connecting element, the at least one connecting element (15, 26) is embodied as thin in a predetermined circumference direction (Y) in relation to the rotation direction of the motor shaft (6), and wherein said connecting device is configured for mechanically connecting a motor housing of a motor to a transmission housing of a transmission, in which the motor acts on the transmission (7) via a motor shaft (6),.

2. (currently amended) The connecting device as recited in claim 1, wherein the at least one connecting element (15, 26) is substantially ~~embodied as at least essentially~~ rigid in a direction (Z) radial to the axis (25) of the motor shaft (6).

3. (currently amended) The connecting device as recited in claim 1, wherein the at least one connecting element (15, 26) is substantially ~~embodied as at least essentially~~ elastically deformable in a direction (X) axial to the axis (25) of the motor shaft (6).

4. (currently amended) The connecting device as recited in claim 1, wherein the at least one connecting element (15, 26) is configured ~~embodied so that it is possible~~ to connect the motor housing (2) to the transmission housing (3)[[,]] spaced axially apart from said motor housing ~~it~~.

5. (currently amended) The connecting device as recited in claim 1, wherein the at least one connecting element (15, 26) is ~~embodied as~~ U-shaped.

6. (currently amended) The connecting device as recited in claim 5, wherein the at least one connecting element (15, 26) has a first leg (16) and second leg (17) that are connected to each other by a bridge piece (18).

7. (currently amended) The connecting device as recited in claim 6,

wherein it is possible to connect the at least one connecting element (15, 26) to the motor housing (2) in the region of an end surface (19) of the first leg (16).

8. (currently amended) The connecting device as recited in claim 6, wherein it is possible to connect the at least one connecting element (15, 26) to the transmission housing (3) in the region of an end surface (20) of the second leg (17).

9. (currently amended) The connecting device as recited in claim 6, wherein the at least one connecting element (15, 26) has a recess (30) and in the region of the recess (30), the at least one connecting element (15, 26) is substantially ~~embodied as at least essentially~~ concave.

10. (currently amended) The connecting device as recited in claim 9, wherein the recess (30) has ~~is partially embodied in~~ an approximately ellipsoidal form.

11. (currently amended) The connecting device as recited in claim 1, wherein the at least one connecting element (15, 26) is at least partially comprised of an elastic plastic.

12. (currently amended) The connecting device as recited in claim 1,

wherein the at least one connecting element (15, 26) is at least partially coated with a viscoelastic material.

13. (canceled)